

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
HIALEAH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE
CENTRAL EVERGLADES PLANNING
PROJECT FOR RESTORATION OF THE
CENTRAL EVERGLADES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah pledge their support for the Central Everglades Planning Project, as part of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan; and

WHEREAS, both the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the South Florida Water Management District are working to centralize planning of four projects at the heart of restoring water to the Everglades, and are seeking public input and support before requesting Congressional approval of their Project Implementation Report for the Central Everglades Planning Project; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Everglades Ecosystem is a globally imperiled habitat, and the primary source of drinking water for the City of Hialeah; and

WHEREAS, Everglades National Park is critical to South Florida's tourism, with nearly a million visitors each year, 30 percent of whom are from outside the United States; and

WHEREAS, increased deliveries of water south of Lake Okeechobee will reduce damaging discharges to the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie estuaries; and

WHEREAS, this project will protect a regional water supply, create much-needed jobs, restore Florida wildlife, and strengthen the local economy; and

WHEREAS, full support and funding by the State of Florida and the U.S. Congress is needed to implement this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this resolution are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida support the completion of a Project Implementation Report by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the South Florida Water Management District through the Central Everglades

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Planning Project by May 2013 that addresses key obstacles for restoring freshwater flows to the Central Everglades.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of August, 2012.




Isis Garcia-Martinez
Council President

Attest:

Approved on the ____ day of _____, 2012.



David Concepcion, City Clerk



Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:



William M. Grodnick, City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote with Councilmembers, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Cue-Fuente, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez and Lozano voting "Yes".